

Chambers of Bankruptcy Judge (visiting) Gerald D. Fines

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Gerald D. Fines
Bankruptcy Judge (visiting)

Date of Birth: 1940
Education: Eastern Illinois 1965 BS, 1967 MS; Kentucky 1970 JD
Began Service: August 19, 1987
Term Expires: August 18, 2015

Affiliation: Bankruptcy Judge, Chambers of Bankruptcy Judge Gerald D. Fines, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of Illinois

Academic: Instructor, Commercial Law, Eastern Illinois University (1966-1967)

Government: Deputy Director and Acting Director, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1970-1976); United States Attorney, Central District of Illinois, United States Department of Justice (1977-1986)

Judicial: Bankruptcy Judge, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of Illinois (1987-2000)

Legal Practice: Giffin, Winning, Linder, Cohen & Bodewes

Military Service: United States Army (1958-1960)

Current Memberships: The District of Columbia Bar; Illinois State Bar Association; Kentucky Bar Association

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James K. Coachys
Bankruptcy Judge (visiting)

Date of Birth: 1946
Education: Butler 1969 BS; Indiana 1974 JD

Affiliation: Bankruptcy Judge, Chambers of Bankruptcy Judge James K. Coachys, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Indiana

Judicial: Juvenile Magistrate, Johnson Circuit Court (1987-1989); Judge, Johnson Superior Court No. 1 (1989-2000); Bankruptcy Judge (visiting), United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Illinois (2000-2005)

Legal Practice: Jones, Loveall & Coachys (1974-1979); Coachys, Hass & Denslaw (1979-1987)

Military Service: United States Army Reserve, United States Department of the Army (1969-1976)

Current Memberships: The Seventh Circuit Bar Association, Federal Bar Association; Indianapolis Bar Association; Johnson County Bar Association; National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges

Chambers of Bankruptcy Judge (visiting) Pamela Pepper

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Pamela Pepper
Bankruptcy Judge (visiting)

Education: Northwestern 1986 BS; Cornell 1989 JD

Affiliation: Bankruptcy Judge, Chambers of Bankruptcy Judge Pamela Pepper, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin

Chambers of Bankruptcy Judge (visiting) Pamela Pepper continued

Clerkships: Law Clerk, United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit (1989-1990)

Government: Assistant U.S. Attorney, United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois (1990-1994); Assistant U.S. Attorney, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin (1994-1997)

Legal Practice: Attorney, Private Practice (1997-2005)

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Philip P. Simon
Chief Judge

Date of Birth: July 7, 1962
Education: Iowa 1984 BA; Indiana 1987 JD
Began Service: March 31, 2003
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

Government: Assistant U.S. Attorney, Indiana Northern District, United States Attorney's Office, United States Department of Justice, George H.W. Bush Administration (1990-1997); Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, United States Attorney's Office, United States Department of Justice, William J. Clinton Administration (1997-1999); Assistant U.S. Attorney and Chief, Criminal Division, Northern District of Indiana, United States Attorney's Office, United States Department of Justice, William J. Clinton Administration (1999-2003)

Legal Practice: Associate, Kirkland & Ellis LLP (1987-1990)

Nonprofit: Adjunct Professor of Law, School of Law, Valparaiso University (1996-1997); Adjunct Professor of Law, School of Law, Valparaiso University (1999-2000)

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Robert L. Miller, Jr.
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1950
Education: Northwestern 1972 BA; Indiana 1975 JD
Began Service: January 1986
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

Affiliation: Judge, Chambers of Judge Robert L. Miller, Jr., Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Robert A. Grant, United States District Court for the Northern District of Indiana (1975)

Judicial: Judge, St. Joseph Superior Court, St. Joseph County (1975-1986)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; The American Law Institute; Indiana State Bar Association; Saint Joseph County Bar Association

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Theresa L. Springmann
District Judge

Education: Indiana 1977 BA; Notre Dame 1980 JD
Began Service: June 24, 2003

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable James T. Moody, United States District Court for the Northern District of Indiana (1980-1984)

Judicial: Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the Northern District of Indiana (1995-2003)

Legal Practice: Partner and Member, Spangler, Jennings, Spangler & Dougherty (1984-1995)

Current Memberships: Allen County Bar Association; American Bar Association; The American Inns of Court; Federal Bar Association; Indiana State Bar Association

Staff

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Joseph S. Van Bokkelen
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1943
Education: Indiana 1966 BA, 1969 JD
Began Service: July 20, 2007
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

Government: Deputy Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, State of Indiana (1969-1970); Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, State of Indiana (1971-1972); Assistant U.S. Attorney, Indiana - Northern District, United States Department of Justice (1972-1975)

Legal Practice: Partner, Wilson, Donnesberger, Van Bokkelen and Reid (1975-1978); Partner, Goodman, Ball, Van Bokkelen and Leonard (1978-2001)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; Calumet American Inns of Court; Federal Bar Association; Indiana State Bar Association

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Jon E. DeGuilio
District Judge

Education: Notre Dame 1977 BA; Valparaiso 1981 JD
Began Service: May 20, 2010
Appointed By: President Barack Obama

Staff

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